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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **TAJIMA, Kazuhiko et al.**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Date: January 5, 2004

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 6, 2003 for two months from November 6, 2003 to January 6, 2004.

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